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IN THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently amended) <u>A</u> The multiple sequencing oligonucleotide primer pool method is utilized for specific genotyping, typing, identification, detection and <u>or</u> sequencing of a sample of nucleic acid molecules, whereby the molecules are suspected to contain at least one type or species or target of a variable region, region of interest or target DNA, each type having different nucleotide patterns, and the moiecules are suspected to contain unspecific amplification in the amplification product and comprising the steps of:
- a) A. Providing the providing a sample is of containing nucleic acid molecules which are suspected to contain at least one type or species or target of a variable region, region of interest or target DNA, each type having different nucleotide patterns, the molecules optionally containing non-specific amplification products;
- b) B. Providing providing a mixed pool set of at least two sequencing oligonucleotide primers, whereby each primer is designed for being specific for one type or species or group or target chosen from the known set of types or target of the nucleic acid sample, thereby allowing a primer, which is specific for a type, species, group or target that is present in the sample, to hybridize in or close to the target or variable region;
- c) C. Mixing mixing the set-of sample and mixed pool of specific primers under conditions allowing a primer or primers to hybridize if a target type or types are present in the sample; and
- <u>d)</u> D. Determining determining the type, species or target region to which the primer or primers have hybridized by extending the hybridized primer or primers in a DNA sequencing reaction.
- 2. (Currently amended) The method Method according to claim 1, wherein the sequencing reaction is performed by sequencing-by-synthesis, Sanger dideoxy sequencing, sequencing by mass spectrometry or any other DNA sequencing technology,

applicable to the method of invention.

- 3. (Currently amended) The method Method according to any one of claim 1-2 claim 2, wherein the sample is a microorganism, such as a virus, fungi or bacteria.
- 4. (Currently amended) The method Method according to any one-of claim 1-3 claim 3, wherein the sample is suspected to comprise at least two types, species or targets of nucleic acid molecules chosen from the known set of types, species or targets.
- 5. (Currently amended) <u>The method Method</u> according to claim 4, wherein the sample contains multiple infection or variants or types or species.
- 6. (Currently amended) The method Method according to claim 5, wherein at least one primer is specific for a variant of a disease linked to the microorganism.
- 7. (Currently amended) The method Method according to claim 6, wherein the microorganism is a human papillomavirus
- 8. (Currently amended) <u>The method Method</u> according to claim 7, wherein the known set of HPV-types are chosen from the group comprising the HPV-types; high-risk: 16, 18, 31, 33, 35, 39, 45, 51, 52, 58, 59, 66, 68, 69 and low-risk: 6, 11, 34, 40, 42, 43, 44
- 9. (Currently amended) The method Method according to any one of the preceding elaims claim 8, wherein the sequence distance from the 3'-end of the general or consensus extendable primer could be avoided and to be instead sequenced in semi-conservative regions
- 10. (Currently amended) The method Method according to any one of the preceding elaims claim 9, for typing of amplicons comprising at least one semi-conservative region.
- 11. (Currently amended) The method Method according to any one of claim 1-10

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<u>claim 10</u> for typing of samples where a type or species is in minority or if the amplification fragment has low yield.

- 12. (Currently amended) The method Method according to any-one of claim 1-11 claim 11, for typing of samples by DNA sequencing that contain unspecific amplification products, the primers of the set of primers not annealing to unspecific amplification products.
- 13. (Withdrawn) Kit for use in the method of typing of claim 1-12, comprising at least two oligonucleotide primers, whereby each primer is designed for being specific for one genotype or type or species or group or target or type-specific region chosen from a known set of types of the type-specific or target region of a nucleic acid sample, thereby allowing a primer, which is specific for a genotype or type or species or target that is present in the sample, to hybridize in or close to the type-specific or target region.
- 14. (Withdrawn) Kit according to claim 13, wherein the oligonucleotide primers of the kit are designed for being specific for any of the HPV-types chosen from the group comprising: high-risk: HPV-16, 18, 31, 33, 35, 39, 45, 51, 52, 58, 59, 66, 68, 69 and low-risk: HPV-6, 11, 34, 40, 42, 43, 44
- 15. (Withdrawn) Kit according to any one of the preceding claims for genotyping, typing, detection, identification or sequencing of any microorganisms, viruses or any other application where the multiple sequencing oligonucleotide primer pool approach is applicable by DNA sequencing technologies
- 16. (Withdrawn) Kit according to claim 1 for quantitative measurements of different genotypes or species or types amplified by PCR in the same sample or by mixing different amplicons